DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

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COUNTY FISCAL LETTER (CFL) NO. 03/04-06

TO: COUNTY WELFARE DIRECTORS

COUNTY WELFARE FISCAL OFFICERS

CHIEF PROBATION OFFICERS

SUBJECT: FISCAL YEAR (FY) 2003/04 STATE GENERAL FUND (SGF)

ALLOCATION FOR THE SUPPORTIVE AND THERAPEUTIC

OPTIONS PROGRAM (STOP)

The purpose of this letter is to provide counties with their FY 2003/04 allocation for STOP. A total of \$14.2 million in State and County funds has been made available upon the approval of the FY 2003/04 Budget Act.

The purpose of STOP is to provide treatment, supports, and aftercare services to families with at-risk children and youth that cannot access needed services through current funding mechanisms. Services target children and youth at risk of out of home placement and those preparing to leave or in the process of exiting an out of home placement. STOP promotes a successful transition to home or a homelike environment (such as placement with a relative). The program helps to minimize the trauma of change and loss of services by developing aftercare strategies to continue supportive and therapeutic relationships with these children. Funding for this program will be shared at 70 percent SGF and 30 percent matching county share. The enclosed attachment provides Counties with the \$9,954,000 SGF allocation distribution.

The methodology used to distribute the \$9,954,000 in SGF was coordinated with the County Welfare Directors Association. It is as follows:

- One half of the available funds were distributed using each county's percentage share to the statewide total of children age 0-17 years from the 2000 census, and
- One half of the available funds were distributed using each county's percentage share to the statewide total of children in Poverty from the 1997 census.

Note that funds were adjusted to ensure a \$4,434 SGF minimum allocation per county. This amount is based on the projected FY 2003/04 annual cost per child for mental health services.

STOP related costs reported on the County Expense Claim will be charged to Program Code 588 – Supportive and Therapeutic Options Program Services. Expenditures exceeding the total SGF allocation will be transferred to county share using State Use Only Code 549.

If you have any questions, please contact the County Financial Analysis Bureau at (916) 657-3806.

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Attachment

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STOP (SUPPORTIVE AND THERAPEUTIC OPTIONS PROGRAM) FY 2003/04 STATE GENERAL FUND ALLOCATION

COUNTY	SGF
	ALLOCATION
ALAMEDA	\$336,986
ALPINE	\$4,434
AMADOR	\$6,747
BUTTE	\$58,478
CALAVERAS	\$9,232
COLUSA	\$7,236
CONTRA COSTA	\$215,192
DEL NORTE	\$8,447
EL DORADO FRESNO	\$35,225 \$344,701
GLENN	\$344,701 \$10,038
HUMBOLDT	\$10,028 \$34,428
IMPERIAL	\$76,146
INYO	\$4,815
KERN	\$256,634
KINGS	\$46,761
LAKE	\$16,815
LASSEN	\$8,009
LOS ANGELES	\$3,159,879
MADERA	\$47,399
MARIN	\$37,525
MARIPOSA	\$4,434
MENDOCINO	\$26,425
MERCED	\$97,341
MODOC	\$4,434
MONO	\$4,434
MONTEREY	\$124,476
NAPA	\$26,917
NEVADA	\$19,394 ************************************
ORANGE	\$693,014
PLACER PLUMAS	\$52,590 \$5,136
RIVERSIDE	\$5,136 \$480,277
SACRAMENTO	\$374,447
SAN BENITO	\$16,198
SAN BERNARDINO	\$604,309
SAN DIEGO	\$748,275
SAN FRANCISCO	\$123,411
SAN JOAQUIN	\$198,551
SAN LUIS OBISPO	\$52,028
SAN MATEO	\$123,197
SANTA BARBARA	\$104,107
SANTA CLARA	\$357,418
SANTA CRUZ	\$60,849
SHASTA	\$50,340
SIERRA	\$4,434
SISKIYOU	\$13,275
SOLANO	\$104,065
SONOMA	\$94,416
STANISLAUS	\$157,614
SUTTER	\$26,327
TEHAMA	\$18,252
TRINITY	\$4,434 \$4,74,939
TULARE	\$174,878 \$13,360
TUOLUMNE	\$12,260 \$108,533
VENTURA	\$198,532 \$42,783
YOLO YUBA	\$43,783 \$24,616
TOTAL	\$9,954,000